

Welcome!

A story attributed to Tony Campolo, tells of a cowboy who discovered life with Christ. After a few months his pastor asked how his spiritual life was going. "Well preacher, I feel like my heart is being torn apart. Every day it feels like I have two teams of horses pulling in opposite directions." "Which one is winning?" asked the preacher. "Well," said the cowboy, "which ever one I say to that morning, giddy up!" The Nicene Creed announces, **We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and giver of life.** The challenge is to take faith to heart to mind to action. There is a life give us that is not our sinful nature: the life of Christ. To which one will we say, "giddy up!" each day this week?

Pastor Colin.

Visitors/Guests Notes

CONTACT CARD

We want to get to know you! Feel free to fill out the Contact/Prayer Card in the bench and drop it in the offering bag or slide it under the pastor's office door.

CHILD CARE

Child-care is available for both infants and toddlers located in the lower level of the church.

BETHANY KIDS

Children ages 3-8 leave during the service to attend Children's Church downstairs.

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS & HEARING ASSIST DEVICES ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE USHERS.

All are welcome to join afterwards for refreshments in the fellowship hall.

Why Are We Here?

VISION STATEMENT

We are a God Honouring Community Witnessing for Christ!



We're on the web!
www.bethanycrc.ca

Connecting

Church Office Denise Glasbergen 905-892-8980
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Youth Director Andrea Veldhuizen 905-975-8484 [call/text]
andrea@bethanycrc.ca

Children's Ministry Lorraine Wierenga 905-892-6961
lorraine@bethanycrc.ca

Worship/LIFE Groups (position vacant—contact Pastor Colin)

We Partner With

Locally

Bible League, Elisha House, Family Outreach, Friendship Club, Hannah House, Harvest Kitchen, Open Arms Mission, Pelham Cares, Pro-Life, Rose City Kids, Shalom Manor, Covenant Christian School, Smithville Christian High School.

Globally

Check out www.crcna.org
Devon Van Hoffen serving in Africa. Email Devon at devon@handsatwork.org
Follow Devon on his blog at www.devonvanhoffen.wordpress.com

Happening Today

Worship Leaders 8:00am – time of praise, prayer, & preparation

Pre-service Prayer 9:15am – Council & worship leaders (in Council room)

Upcoming

Next Sunday's offering: Deacons

Sunday Feb 7: Courtney (autism) Support Group meets right after service in the nursery.

Reflections Bible Study next plans to meet Sunday, February 21, at 7:30 p.m. at John and Heidi TeBrake's. The next lesson is lesson 5 from the Fruit of the Spirit study guide.

Get Equipped for Faith Life



GEMS: 2015-2016 Theme:

Psalm 119:105 "Choose Truth"

Meets every Thursday evening from 7-9pm for girls in grades 4-8 from Sept.-Apr. For more

information contact Diana at
Cell: 289-696-5567 or email:

dj.diana.slappendel@gmail.com

CADETS: 2015-2016 Theme:

Matthew 4:19

"Hooked on Christ"

Meets every Thursday evening from 7-9pm for boys in grades 4-8 from Sept.-Apr. For more information contact: Mike Klapwyk 905-892-3036

Men's Bible Study

6:00am Tuesday mornings

Women's Coffee Break

9:30am Tues at Grace CRC

Heart to Heart (Women)

9:30am every Friday

Konnect 20 (Young Adults)

One eve/month (call/text

Andria 289-687-3024)

Potluck/Bible Study Group

4:30pm on 1st Sunday of every month

Authentic Manhood Study

Wed's 7:30 PM at church

Bethany Ladies Bible Study

Wed. Feb. 10th at

7:30pm at Cynthia Vermeer's home

"Living Crazy Love" By Francis Chan

(please see Bugle for more details)



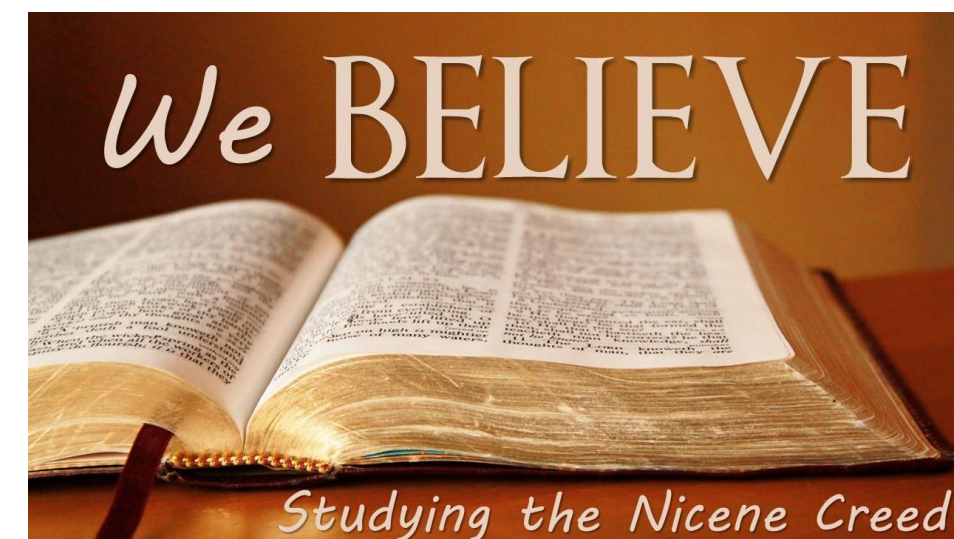
Faith Instruction (Catechism) every

Tuesday at 7:00pm @ the church for grades 9-12.

MERGE (youth group) from 7-9 every other Sunday night for grades 9-12.

Welcome to Bethany!

Let us rejoice in the Lord together!

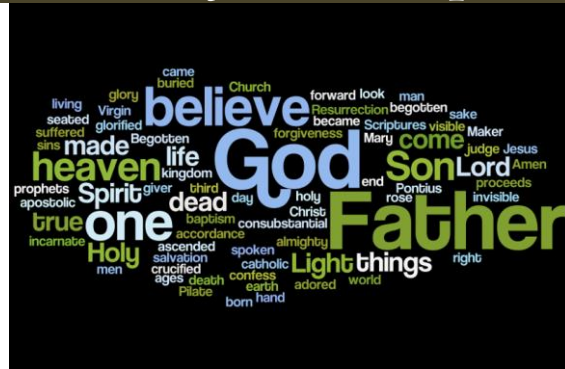


Bethany Christian Reformed Church

February 7, 2016

9:30am

Today in Worship



The Lord Gathers Us

- *Opening Call to Worship in Song (from Psalm 46)
"God is Our Refuge and Our Strength vs 1,3,5"
- *God's Word of greeting
- *Songs of Praise "In Christ Alone"
"Shine Into Our Night"

The Lord Shows Us His Grace

- Call to Confession: Romans 7:19-23
- Prayer of Confession
- Words of Assurance: 1John 1:5 - 2:2
- Song of Response
"This is Our God"
- God's Call to Faithful Living: 1John 2:3-17
- Children's Song of Thankfulness "The Lord's Army"
(Children ages 3-8 invited downstairs for Sunday School)

- Prayer & Offerings
 1. Ministries here at Bethany & the CRCNA
 2. Hands at Work – Devon VanHoffen

Prayers of God's People & for the proclamation of the Word

The Lord Speaks to Us through His Word

- Scripture: Romans 8:1-17 (p.985), Nicene Creed (p.814)
- Message: Nicene Creed Part 6 "We Believe in Life Through the Spirit"
- Prayer of blessing on the message

The Lord Sends Us Out to Celebrate & Serve

- *Song of Response
"For Your Gift of God the Spirit vs 1,3,4"
- *God's Word of blessing
- *Closing Song
"Cornerstone"



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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> February 9	Isaiah 45-46; Mark 11:19-33
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> February 10	Isaiah 47-49; Mark 12:1-27
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> February 11	Isaiah 50-52; Mark 12:28-44
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> February 12	Isaiah 53-55; Mark 13:1-20
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Sermon follow-up ...

- o Read Romans 8:1-17 again. How do you experience the reality of having a sinful nature and also having the Spirit within you? Think of specific examples if you can.
- o How do you handle your emotions, your feelings, especially when they are pressuring you to do follow your sinful desires (even subtly)?
- o Modern North American Christianity has generally leaned toward the idea that the Holy Spirit shows up mostly in how we feel. Is this true of the Holy Spirit? Should we broaden our view of the Holy Spirit? If so, how so?
- o Paul speaks of our minds in all this. What does this all have to do with our thinking?
- o How might we feed the gift of faith the Lord gives? How might we exercise it? How might we share it? (these are ways we can say "giddy up!" to the life the Spirit gives ... see Welcome box above)
- o What are you willing to commit to doing/thinking differently this week? Who will lovingly hold you accountable to this?

Serving Assignments

Today [Please arrive by 9:15am for Nursery & Toddlers]

- 3 Year olds-A** Anita/Jenni Wierenga, Ethan Wubs
- 3 Year olds-B** Jody VanderStelt, Jody VanHoorn
- 4 Year olds** Andrea DeVries, Nathan DenBak
- 5 Year olds** Colleen Keizer, Kaitlyn Langendoen
- 6 Year olds** Diana Slappendel, Morgan Glasbergen
- 7 & 8 Year olds** Jen Kiers, Andria Slappendel
- Courtney** Debbie Prins
- Dylan** Kevin Twomey
- Nursery** Arnell Dykstra, Jacqueline Slappendel, Sandra Stam, Lauren VanHuizen
- Toddlers** Tyler Glasbergen, Chris Jorritsma, Nicole VanHuizen
- Ushers** Brian Prins, Scott VanDriel
- Coffee Servers** Ben & Joanne Benson, Zach & Stephanie Beldman
- Greeters** John Langendoen, Vicky DenBak, Nellie Scholman, Gerry Evers

Next Sunday

- 3 Year olds-A** Anita/Jenni Wierenga, Ethan Wubs
- 3 Year olds-B** Jody VanderStelt, Jody VanHoorn
- 4 Year olds** Andrea DeVries, Nathan DenBak
- 5 Year olds** Colleen Keizer, Kaitlyn Langendoen
- 6 Year olds** Clarence & Tracy VanSoelen
- 7 & 8 Year olds** Cynthia Nauta, Kaitlyn Jorritsma
- Courtney** Margaret DeVries
- Dylan** Bernice Slappendel
- Nursery** Madison Lapenna Wierenga, Anita Vander Ploeg, Grace Vander Veen, Elaine VanHoorn
- Toddlers** Owen Janssen, James Vander Veen, Karissa Vantwel
- Ushers** Byron Garner, Dan Scholman
- Coffee Servers** Karl & Annie Vahmeyer, Bill & Mary Koudys
- Greeters** Anita Wierenga, Bas & Trudy Slappendel, Kurtis Bouwers, Andria Slappendel, Andy VanDriel

Heart to Heart: Storytime: Lauren Dam, student

Nursery: Hennie Vellenga, Margaret DeVries, Nellie Scholman

Toddlers: Ans Roorda, Caroline Janssens

If you are interested in serving please contact the office

Lorraine Wierenga will be away from Jan. 25-Feb.11.

If there is any urgent matter in the Children's Ministry, please email Andrea Veldhuizen at andrea@bethanycrc.ca

Bethany Family Updates & Prayers

Birthdays this week

Glenda Bouwers, Riet Schouten, Bernice Slappendel, Jayce Dam, Colin de Roos, Mackenzie Kremer, Tena Evers

Anniversaries this Week

None this week

Prayers requested

- ❖ Pray for protection and healing from colds and flu for those who are vulnerable because of age or other conditions.
- ❖ Pray for safety and strength at work for those in green-housing who are in a very busy time right now.
- ❖ **Ep DeVries** continues on the path of recovery at home. He is doing well. If you wish to visit, please call ahead.
- ❖ Pray for **Hermien Korten** remains in Port Colbourne hospital undergoing physical therapy. The Lord continues to grant her patience and peace in the process.
- ❖ **George Kowalski** is to be moved this coming Friday from Port Colbourne hospital to Villa de Rose Retirement Residence (370 Hellems Ave, Welland). He will be there for a month or so until a long term care facility is available for him to move to. Pray for comfort and strength for George is facing these changes.
- ❖ Martha Sikkens' niece, **Stacie Horinga** is suffering from cancer which has spread. Please keep this young woman and her family in your prayers for healing, courage and ongoing trust in the Lord.
- ❖ **Dalton Jacques** (Shelby Kremer's brother) is nearing the end of his earthly journey because of his cancer. Pray for him, his family including Pat & Shelby as they walk this difficult journey. May the Lord of grace and mercy surround them with His love and grant His peace that goes beyond our understanding in Christ Jesus our Lord.
- ❖ Pray for comfort for those who mourn to the one who is the Resurrection and the Life.
- ❖ *Need of support or want to talk to someone? contact Pastor Colin 905-931-5841 or Joyce De Roo at 905-386-6719 or SHALEM network 866-347-0041 (mention Bethany CRC if you are a part of it).*